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- 1. MESSRS JOSEF ALTER (LICENSING) AND H. L. STRIEM (LICENSING-SITING) OF ISRAEL ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION (IAEC)ANSWERED ALL FOUR REFAIR QUESTIONS N THE NEGATIVE.
- 2. ABOUT 1967, GOI RESERVED FOUR POTENTIAL SITES FOR NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS ON THE MEDITERRANEAN COAST FOR FUTURE NEEDS. ONE OF THESE SITES, NITZANIM (BETWEEN ASHDOD AND ASHKELON) WILL ALMOST CERTAINLY BE USED FOR THE PRESENTLY PLANNED 2 X 960 MW NUCLEAR INSTALLATION. THE OTHER THREE ARE AT HABONIM (ABOUT 20 KMS SOUTH OF HAIFA), PALAMAHIM (CA. 25 KMS SOUTH OF TEL AVIV) AND ZIQIM (CA. 10 KMS SOUTH OF ASHKELON, VERY NEAR THE GAZA STRIP). NONE OF THESE COULD BE PLACED UNDERGOUND BECAUSE THE WATER TABLE ON THE COAST IS ONLY ONE TO TWO METERS BELOW THE GROUND SOURFACE.
- 3. THE PLANNED INSTALLATION AT NITZANIM SILL BE "HARDENED" TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL SAFETY IN THE EVENT OF HOSTILE ATTACK.
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